

- (vii) Efforts for promoting oil palm plantation and processing.
- (viii) Setting up of necessary processing and infrastructural facilities to keep pace with the production programme of oilseed.
- (ix) Fiscal incentives in the form of excise rebate for use of certain non-conventional oils in the vanaspati so as to encourage increased exploitation of these sources of oils.

[English]

National Small Industries Corporation

3111. SHRI V. N. SHARMA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware of the grave irregularities administrative as well as financial—in the National Small Industries Corporation ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the corrective measures taken and the results thereof ;

(d) the number of cases for recovery of dues of National Small Industries Corporation from various industries under litigation and the details of those cases ;

(e) the names of the defaulter industries who are yet to make payment to the NSIC and the amount outstanding against each ; and

(f) the steps taken to recover the dues ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. KURIEN) : (a) to (c) Some complaints regarding ir-

regularities in the National Small Industries Corporation Limited have been received and these are being looked into.

(d) According to NSIC, it has supplied 62711 machines of the value of Rs. 346.70 Crores under its Hire Purchase Scheme. Out of this an amount of Rs. 228.65 Crores has fallen due and Corporation has recovered Rs. 202.08 Crores leaving a balance of Rs. 26.57 Crores as Sundry Debtors till 31st March, 1991. The number of units who have defaulted in timely payments is 6827. Out of this the Corporation has initiated legal action against 925 units and have obtained decree in its favour in about 230 cases. In addition to this number of cases have been settled out of court. Thus, the total cases under litigation are about 520 and the total claim under litigation is Rs. 7.50 Crores.

(e) Since the Corporation operates through six Regional Offices and 14 Branch Offices the details of defaulter industries are not maintained centrally.

(f) The Corporation has set system of recovery of dues. The targets of recovery are fixed for the field offices of the Corporation and field staff persuades the hirers to pay the instalments in time. Rebate is also given for timely re-payment of the instalments.

[Translation]

Supply of Wheat and Sugar to Rajasthan

3112. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Rajasthan has requested for alloca-